



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Howard County Police and Community Take a Stand Against Crime by Hosting NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Howard County Police Department will pair up with Howard County community members to host National Night Out tonight from 6–9:30 p.m.

National Night Out (NNO) is a national event intended to generate participation and support for local crime prevention activities. This year marks NNO's 25th anniversary of taking a stand against crime through the use of local parties and activities.

The event will kickoff at 6 p.m. with a party at each of the Howard County Police satellite offices in Harper's Choice Village Center, Oakland Mills Village Center, Whiskey Bottom Shopping Center and Long Reach Village Center. Twenty-five additional neighborhood parties will be hosted by community members between the hours of 6-9:30 p.m. A comprehensive list of locations is available at the Howard County Police Department's web site, www.co.ho.md.us/Police.

Police are asking citizens to turn on outside lights and spend at least one hour in front of their homes or in their communities—on their porches, balconies, front steps or lawns or at their local parties—to send a message to criminals that communities are banding together to fight crime.

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